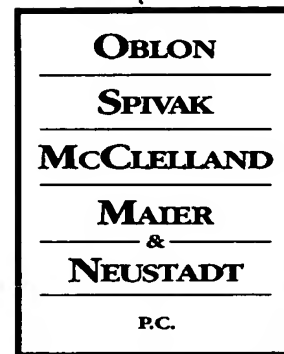




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Group Art Unit: 1616
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response to Restriction Requirement

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Responsive to the Official Action dated July 10, 2003, Applicants elect:
regarding the restriction requirement: Group I (claims 1, 2, 5, 27 and 30-58), with
traverse; and
regarding the requirement to elect a single disclosed species: Yenomite containing
Phillipsite, also with traverse.

REMARKS

Applicant request that the restriction requirement, as it applies to Groups I and II be
withdrawn. This aspect of the restriction requirement is respectfully traversed because the
examiner has not applied the test he is required to apply to show patentable distinctness as
between groups I and II (or as between II and III, or as between II and IV). Neither the paragraph
setting out a discussion of the relation of groups I and III/IV as being related as combination and